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THE WAR. TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

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EMPEROR KARL'S PEACE LETTERS.

REMARKABLE REVELATIONS OF
AUSTRIA'S PROPOSALS.

OFFER TURNED DOWN AFTER
LENGTHY DISCUSSION.

LONDON, May 8.

The Manchester Guardian's Paris
Correspondent gives a summary of
the evidence of the French Ministers
and ex-Ministers before a Sub-Com-
mittee of the Foreign Affairs Com-
mittee, which shows that the Em-
peror Karl wrote the second Peace
Letter early in April, 1917, presum-
ably to Prince Sixte of Bourbon.
In it he declared that he was con-
vinced that he could induce Germany
to make peace, provided the terri-
torial demands of the Allies were
restricted to Alsace-Lorraine, it being
understood that all the occupied
territory evacuated by the Belgian
Sovereignty would be unconditionally
restored. The Emperor added that
he had already been assured of an
agreement by Bulgaria, and he asked
that the confidential character of
this letter should be loyally respected
by the French Government.

The Correspondent says M. Poin-
caré, in the course of subsequent
negotiations, proposed that Austria
should cede Trieste and the Trentino
to Italy in exchange for Silesia. The
Emperor Karl replied that there was
an initial obstacle to this proposal,
namely, whereas Austria occupied
Trieste and the Trentino France did
not occupy Silesia.

The dossier includes a statement
by an important Austrian personage
that if Germany proved intractable
and an armistice was declared be-
tween Austria and the Allies a revolu-
tion would break out in Germany at
the instigation of the Minority
Socialists.

M. Ribot, in his evidence, stated
that he had to choose between refus-
ing the Austrian proposals and break-
ing with Italy. He considered him-
self bound to choose the former
alternative. M. Ribot admitted that
Mr. Lloyd George agreed, only after
considerable hesitation, to a negative
reply, on which Baron Sonnino
(Italian Secretary for Foreign
Affairs) insisted.

The dossier shows that Mr. Lloyd
George insisted more than once on
the importance of the Austrian pro-
posals and the desirability of not
losing so favourable an opportunity
of making peace. The correspondent
says M. Poincaré, however, main-
tained that the war could only be
ended by complete military victory
by the Allies.

Some members of the Sub-Com-
mittee were of the opinion that the
Emperor Karl's proposals would
have been turned down immediately
without discussion, but for Mr. Lloyd
George.

M. Poincaré defended M. Ribot's
refusal on the ground that any other
course would have involved a rupture
with Italy.

The correspondent affirms that
further evidence shows that in July,
1917, the German Government, via
Belgium and Mr. Briand, invited
peace discussions in Switzerland
with Baron von Lunden. This over-
ture was refused by the French,
Italian and British Governments
without consulting Russia and the
United States. Belgium and
Rumania were in favour of discuss-
ing the German proposal. Russia
and the United States also were not
consulted in the case of both letters
of the Emperor Karl.

M. Poincaré, giving evidence re-
garding the Sub-Committee's find-
ings, said he did not know about the Emperor Karl's
letters when Count Reverera made
his first overtures.

The Sub-Committee has still to
hear the evidence of M. Briand, and
M. Clemenceau before presenting
its conclusions.

THE PARLIAMENTARY COM- MITTEE'S FINDINGS.

PARIS, May 9.
The Parliamentary Foreign Affairs
Committee, in concluding its in-
vestigations into the dossier regard-
ing the Emperor Karl's letters to
Prince Sixte and the Armand-Rever-
era discussions, passed a resolution
expressing the opinion that the peace
conversations initiated and continued
by Austria-Hungary in 1917 and 1918
never provided an opportunity for a
peace acceptable to France and her
Allies.

PEACE BY NEGOTIATION AND
SURRENDER
INTERESTING DEBATE IN
HOUSE OF LORDS.
LONDON, May 6.
In the House of Lords, Lord
Denbigh called attention to the
Pacific activities in the country and
the general ignorance of the German
war aims.

Lord Beauchamp stated that the
War-Arms Committee were dealing
with the Pacific propaganda. The
publication of Prince Liechtenow's
Memoirs had done much good and
were undoubtedly partly responsible
for the very little industrial unrest
at present existing.

Lord Lansdowne protested against
being classed with the advocates of
peace by surrender. He did not
participate in secret conferences in
connection with it. He adhered to
his published views, but during the
offensive it would be wrong to create
an impression that the country was
divided. Such overtures occurred
but broke down because the proposers
discontinued them or the overtures
were incompatible with Allied hon-
our and safety. Peace by negotia-
tion was at present impossible,
because the country was confronted
with the gravest crisis in its history.
Any idea of successful negotiations
at present was chimerical and such
peace by negotiation as was exhibited
at Brest-Litovsk and with Rumania
offered no encouragement. Until the
German military spirit abated, the
idea of pursuing negotiations for an
honourable and lasting peace was one
which we could not regard with any
hope of success.

Lord Lansdowne twitted Lord Den-
bigh for opposing peace by negotiation.
Lord Lansdowne said he wished to
encourage a widely felt Austro-German
desire to stop the butchery. Lord Curzon
said that broadly speaking the heart
of the labouring classes was absolutely
sound. The Allies always agreed that
if responsible and apparently bona fide
peace overtures were made the Allies
concerned were free to investigate them
and if anything came of the overtures
the other Allies would be consulted.

THE OPERATIONS IN MESOPOTAMIA.

TURKS ABANDON POSITION.
LONDON, May 8.

An official message from Mesopo-
tamia states:
A portion of our troops, on May
7th, entered Kirkuk without opposi-
tion by the Turks who retired towards
the Lesser Zab River. They left 800
men in a hospital and abandoned
three damaged aeroplanes.
Heavy rain has fallen.

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INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF MEMBERS will be held on SATURDAY, the 11th May, 1918, at 12 o'clock Noon, at the Offices of the Jockey Club on the Ground floor of the HONGKONG CLUB ANNEX, Chater Road.

By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, May 4, 1918. 387

HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

THE SECOND GYMKHANA MEETING OF THE SEASON will be held at HARRY VALLEY on SATURDAY, the 11th instant, commencing at 3.30 p.m. The Charge of Admission will be \$1.00 for others than Members of the HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB or GYMKHANA CLUB. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform Free. The Committee invite the Ladies of Hongkong to be present.

Hongkong, May 9, 1918. 491

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-NINTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be held at the Company's Offices, St. George's Buildings on SATURDAY, the 11th May, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st February, 1918, and electing Directors and Auditors. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 12 o'clock noon April 28th to 12 o'clock noon May 11th.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
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Hongkong, April 26, 1918. 562

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the HONGKONG CLUB will be held in the LARGE DINING ROOM, on THURSDAY, the 16th inst., at 5.30 p.m. Business.—As set forth in the Notice posted in the Hall of the Club.

By Order,
E. DES VŒUX,
Secretary.

Hongkong, May 7, 1918. 393

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTEENTH YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Company's Offices, St. George's Buildings, at 11 a.m., on FRIDAY, the 17th May, 1918, to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1917, and the Report of the General Manager and Consulting Committee, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 4th May to the 17th May, 1918, both days inclusive.

THE CHINA-BORNEO CO., LTD.
W. G. DARBY,
General Manager.

Hongkong, May 2, 1918. 382

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the Underigned on FRIDAY, the 17th May, 1918, at Noon. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 3rd May to the 17th May, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.
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Hongkong, April 29, 1918. 387

NOTICE.

CARVALHO & COMPANY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. HENRY ARMAND HENRICKSON CASTRO has this day CEASED to be the Manager of our Business at Hongkong and his authority to Sign our Firm Name has been withdrawn. Dated this 6th day of May, 1918.

CARVALHO & CO. 393

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Hongkong, May 9, 1918. 399

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Hongkong, May 2, 1918. 383

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ENEMY'S VIEW OF ENGLAND'S INTENTION.

TO DESTROY GERMAN TRADE.

Herr Paul Koch, one of the commercial privy councillors attached to the German Admiralty, writes to the *Dunkelroter Nachrichten* about "England's real intention." It seems that our "real intention" is to destroy German trade abroad and to create an economic situation which will prevent Germany from ever regaining those foreign markets which she has lost during the war, says the *Daily Chronicle*.

For twenty years, we are told, England has known only one object to strive after, none other than "Germanian esse delenda." The resolutions of the Paris Conference, the countless measures taken in foreign countries all show "that behind the phrases of a newspaper lord there exists the bitter determination to root out every trace of German commercial and industrial life in this wicked world." It is deplorable, says Herr Koch, that this grim work of destruction is making progress, and that foreign countries are forgetting what "Made in Germany" once meant, and what German science, invention, industry and fidelity have done in all zones of the earth to bring mankind nearer to the ideals of humanity.

AT GERMAN'S EXPENSE.
Herr Koch recounts the steps taken by England in pursuit of her "real intention." He explains the black lists and the grey lists, the cancellation of contracts with German houses, the forcible suppression of German commercial influence, the dismissal everywhere of German employees, and the stopping up of every channel, even the tiniest, through which anything German might percolate. According to Herr Koch, our efforts in these directions have been crowned with success.

The writer then turns to the steps which Britain is taking to promote industrial invention and enterprise at home at Germany's expense, and he finds a very grave state of affairs. We begin early with the robbery of German patents and trade marks. In this respect our operations have been largely successful in the chemical industry, in mining, in glass production—both industrial and scientific—in the paper business, toys, etc. But Herr Koch is comforted when he reads our confessions that we have not yet arrived at German perfection in these trades.

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Still further comfort is found in the reflection that the British Isles, after all, are not large enough to replace Germany in the trade of the world. Britishers see this, and are busy erecting factories in Canada and Australia. "While dreaming what a two-edged sword they are sharpening against themselves," the *Chronicle* says, "Canada and Australia feel quite comfortable at present under England's fostering care, but with the lessening of their economic dependence on the Mother Country will come a corresponding decrease of their political dependence." This thought cheers Herr Koch wonderfully.

DIFFERENCES OF CHARACTER.
Herr Koch's concluding remarks regarding the differences between the British and German business character are well worth quoting:—

"Most instructive have been the British attempts to forward science and technical education since the beginning of the war. The British have at last recognised that they are far behind us in these respects, and are now trying to elevate their manufactures and workmen to the high level occupied by ours. They feel that if they are to be successful in pushing Germany into the background, they must excel her. This, undoubtedly, offers us Germans a gleam of hope, for the British deficiencies caused by the neglect of research and scientific training are so great and so far-reaching that they cannot be made good in the time between to-day and tomorrow. Moreover, the qualities of character between the two races are different. The German is chained to his working room or laboratory, while the Briton seeks his laurels in the competitions of sport. You cannot change character so quickly, and that is why we have reason to hope that the last word has not yet been spoken in this war against German trade."

"One thing is already abundantly clear. You cannot get the results of these forty years of poisonous agitation against Germany set aside by peace understandings and paper concessions. These things will not alter the situation, and the fact will remain that we shall be faced by economic barriers which it will require infinite work and prolonged efforts in the way of importing European goods or in the way of free emigration from Europe."

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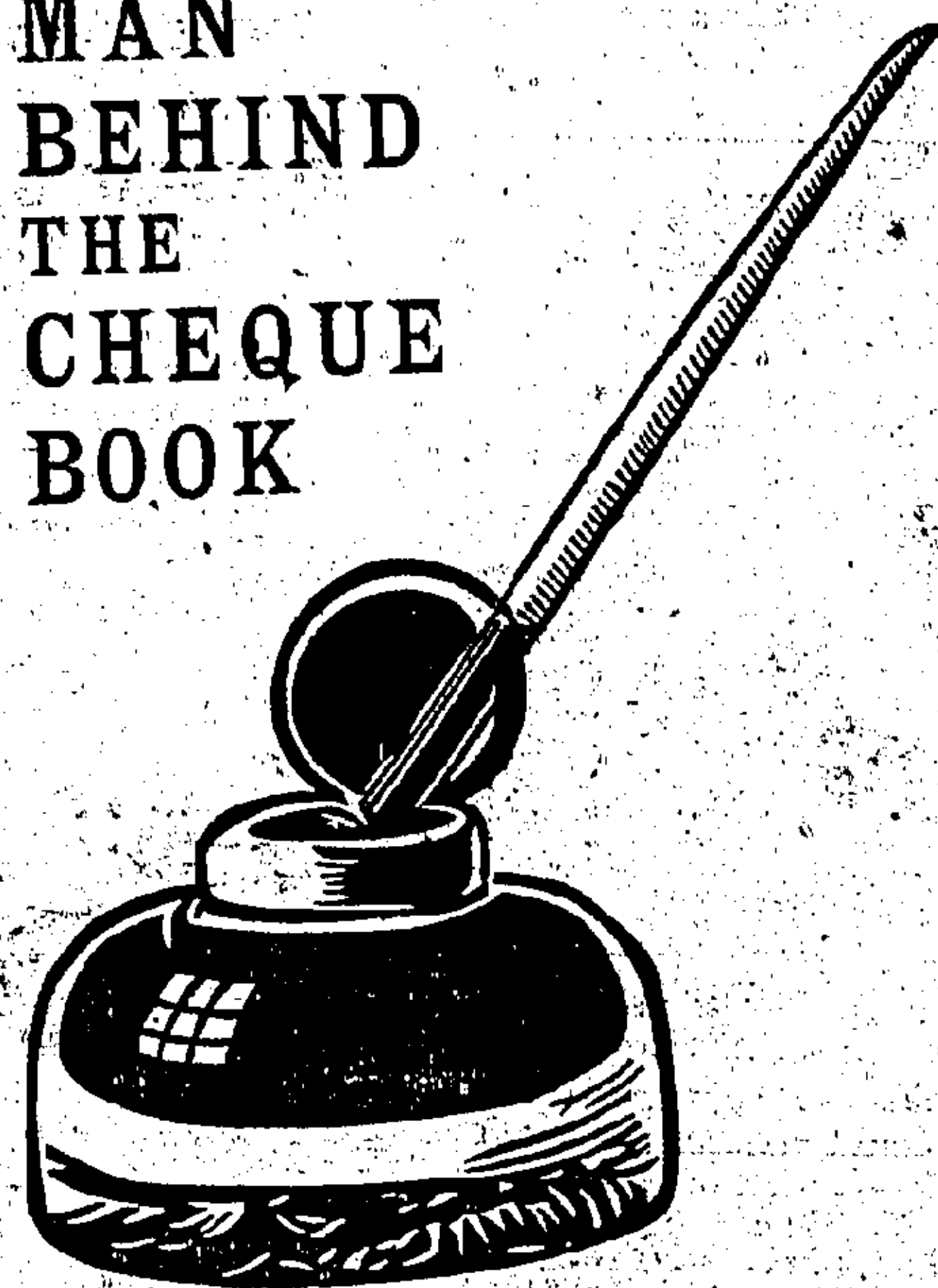
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TELEGRAMS.

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OFFICIAL REPORTS.

SEVERE ONSLAUGHT ON ALLIED FRONT.

ENEMY PENETRATE AT CERTAIN POINTS.

London, May 8.
11.15 p.m.
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

On the morning of the 8th the enemy launched a strong local attack against the British and French between La Clytte and Voormezele. After heavy fighting in the centre the attack entered the Allied front line at certain points. Fighting continues in these localities.

The attacks were repulsed at all other points.

There was a successful French local operation.

We advanced our line during the night southward of La Clytte, taking a number of prisoners.

BIG AIR-FIGHTING.

TWELVE MACHINES BROUGHT DOWN.

London, May 8.
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, reporting on aviation, says:—

We dropped 400 bombs on different targets along the front and brought down 12 German machines during the air-fighting, eight of which were in a big encounter in the neighbourhood of Douai.

None of ours are missing.

FRENCH ACTIVITY.

London, May 9.
A French communiqué states:—
There was reciprocal artillery activity north and south of the Aisne.

FIGHTING IN FLANDERS.

SPLENDID CO-OPERATION OF AIR FORCE.

HOSTILE INFANTRY SWOOPED UPON.

London, May 8.
10.20 p.m.

Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing this evening, says:—

Following a heavy and continuous bombardment along a wide front in Flanders, the German infantry this morning attacked south of Dickebusch Lake. It was not a very big affair. Apparently only a Divisional strength of the enemy penetrated our front line between the Lake and Ridge wood. Some enemy parties were reported in the eastern fringe of the wood, the greater part of which we hold, and which will likely prove very costly to the enemy if he attempts an onrush.

We also hold Kleine Vierstraat. Fighting continues in fine weather and with good visibility.

The armies on both sides are very active. Ours are splendidly serving the artillery, swooping and engaging hostile infantry.

The tactical objective of the operation is apparently to attempt to clear the way for a thrust against Scherpenberg from the north-east. It may prove the beginning of further fierce fighting in this region.

A PRELUDE TO FIERCE FIGHTING.

London, May 9.

The German attack yesterday morning is believed to be an attempt to clear the way for a thrust towards Scherpenberg from the north-east and is possibly the prelude to renewed fierce fighting.

A semi-official message from Paris says the front of the attack, La Clytte-Voormezele is less than two miles distant from La Clytte and constitutes a hinge on this front with the line running north and south bordering the Flanders hills. The line La Clytte-Voormezele commands an unbroken plain leading to Poperinghe, six miles west of Ypres. If the enemy pierces the line, thus outflanking Ypres from the South, the evacuation of the latter will become a delicate operation although it is at present not difficult. The High Command is bound to consider all eventualities in its decision, to conform to the interests of the defence. The Germans yesterday were testing the strength of the Allied line in this region.

A GERMAN COMMUNIQUE.

London, May 8.
A wireless German official report states:—

We made a successful reconnoitring operation southward of Nieuport.

We captured some Belgian prisoners. The forward engagements on the Somme resulted in the capture of British and French prisoners.

The enemy, after strong mining preparations, unsuccessfully attacked both sides of the Corbie-Bray road.

Our fire effectively caught the troops, which are being kept in readiness. After a further attack during the night southward of the road our counter-attack drove back the enemy.

THE ITALIAN FRONT.

EIGHTEEN MACHINES FELL.

London, May 9.

A British official report from Italy states:—

We have twice successfully raided during the past week, taking a few prisoners.

Our artillery carried out several destructive bombardments.

Our aircraft destroyed 17 hostile machines and brought down another out of control. Several of these fell into our lines.

We also bombed military targets to the rear of the enemy lines. We lost no machines.

BRITISH CIVILIAN PRISONERS IN HOLLAND.

THE EXCHANGE AGREEMENT.

London, May 9.

In the House of Commons, Mr. J. P. Hope, replying to Mr. W. E. Hume-Williams (Unionist M.P. for Bassetlaw), said that all the 400 British civilian prisoners eligible under The Hague Agreement were interned in Holland.

The majority of the officers and non-coms. who were captured up to July 30th, 1916, had reached Holland.

The exchange agreement worked automatically, and fresh numbers were becoming eligible by effluxion of time. Germany had rejected the proposed extension of the Agreement to include privates who had been in captivity for 18 months.

THE MAURICE SENSATION.

LIBERALS AND UNIONISTS SUPPORT GOVERNMENT.

London, May 9.

A meeting of the Unionist War Committee has decided to support the Government in the event of a division to-morrow on the Maurice affair.

It is understood that the Liberal War Committee has similarly decided before the debate, while the Nationalists, who are in Ireland, are not expected to return.

It is understood that the appointment of a Judicial Tribunal has been abandoned. The House will debate on the advisability of setting up a Select Committee of the House of Commons.

FRENCH COMMENT.

PARIS, May 9.

Several newspapers express regret regarding the publication of the Maurice letter, and emphasise the necessity of maintaining the credit of the leaders of the Allies and also the unity of the Allies in view of the renewal of the German offensive.

AMERICAN NAVAL MEN ENTERTAINED.

AMERICA WILL STAY WITH BOTH FEET.

London, May 9.

A thousand American Naval men were entertained at the National Sporting Club. Sir Frederick Smith said he was glad the Americans were here to see the spirit of the people and the sacrifice they were prepared to make to secure the victory of Democracy.

Admiral Sims said America had come in with both feet and would stay in with both feet till she finished the war. Germany's only hope of winning the war was submarines but since April last year the sinkings were steadily decreasing and the curve of the building programme was ascending. These curves would cross within a fortnight and we would be increasing our shipbuilding instead of the submarines decreasing. Germany knew that and that was why she was making a desperate effort on the Western Front. It was her last chance.

PANEGYRIC ON THE EMPIRE.

A GLORIOUS RECORD IN WORLD HISTORY.

HEROIC DEEDS IN LETTERS OF GOLD.

London, May 8.

Mr. Walter Long, Secretary of State for the Colonies, presiding at a luncheon to Sir Frederick W. Young upon his vacating the position of Minister of Crown Lands in South Australia, said the Empire was a wonderful thing. There never had played! The moment it was whole history of the world. In war what a marvellous part the Empire had played. The moment it was apparent we were going to stake our very existence on a sacred cause there came from every part of the world where the British flag flew not requests for further information and awkward questions but one wonderful cry of "We are coming!"

(Cheers), and when they came what a page they had written in the military history of the world! Although loosely knit the moment the Empire was confronted with a real danger it stood as one man and all troops had shown that they were entitled to rank with the heroes whose names were written in gold in the Empire's history. He had never doubted the issue, but victory would be obtained only if we realised the magnitude of the task and the immediate nature of the difficulties and set our backs to the wall, determined that nothing should overcome us and that no difficulty would be too great.

RAILWAY TRAVELLING RESTRICTIONS.

DRASTIC INCREASES.

London, May 8.

Sir Albert Stanley announced in the House of Commons that owing to the enormous increase in railway traffic further drastic restrictions would operate immediately. The price of the season tickets would be increased by 10 per cent. within a 12-mile radius from Charing Cross and 20 per cent. outside it. The issue of season tickets outside the radius mentioned would be discontinued except in the case of scholars, apprentices, and privileged railway employees, or unless adequate reasons for travelling are shown. No more season tickets for under six months for journeys over 12 miles would be issued.

GERMAN MISSIONARY ENTERPRISE IN INDIA.

ENEMY CAPITAL AND INFLUENCE IN FACTORIES.

London, May 10.

In the House of Commons, replying to Sir A. Fell (Conservative M.P. for Yarmouth), Dr. H. A. L. Fisher said there were certain factories in South India connected with a well-known Mission under German influence, in which a Swiss agency was employed, but steps had been taken to secure the elimination of German capital and influence from it.

60,000 ANARCHISTS IN MOSCOW.

Zurich, May 9.

The Kief newspaper states that anarchists in Moscow have secreted great quantities of munitions, including mountain-guns and machine-guns. The Bolsheviks vainly demanded their surrender. After fighting all day they stormed the munition depots and arrested 400 anarchists whom they imprisoned in the Kremlin.

THE "LIBERATION" OF FINLAND.

A GERMAN EXCUSE FOR FLUNDEL.

Amsterdam, May 8.

In the Reinhard, von Payer declared that by "liberating" Finland, Germany had performed a very considerable service to Sweden by creating a protective wall on the East.

THE SILVER MARKET.

London, May 9.

The Silver Market is steady.

CONDITIONS IN THE CENTRAL EMPIRES.

STRIKES, SHORTAGE, DIS-TRUST AND DEPRESSION.

Stockholm, May 9.

The Politiska's Copenhagen correspondent interviewed a traveller from the Central Empires who said the depression is great, especially in Austria. The food shortage is serious and internal strife is continuous.

The Czechs, Poles, and South Slavs only desire that the Allies should win and the cry is "Long live Wilson!"

Strikes are frequent in Vienna and Prague. The Social Democrats hate Germany since the Brest-Litovsk Peace Treaty. The German confidence in victory has been lessened since the failure to reach the Channel ports, and a revulsion of feeling is probable. The losses in the offensive, estimated at 600,000, are being concealed, but the conditions will become serious with the expected reduction of the bread and potato rations. There is intense disappointment that there is no food from Ukraine. The resumption of the war by Russia is generally expected.

ROMANIA'S PEACE TREATY.

FINAL STAGES FAVOURABLE TO ROMANIA.

Amsterdam, May 9.

A message from Bucharest states the Premier, M. Marghiloman, has telegraphed to the King announcing the signature of the Peace Treaty the final stages of which have undergone favourable changes to Romania, loyalty to the King and Dynasty.

FRENCH COMMENT.

PARIS, May 9.

The newspapers comment slyly on the Rumanian peace treaty but emphasise that revenge is being prepared on the battle-fields of France.

BOSNIA, HERZEGOVINA AND DALMATIA.

TO BE INCORPORATED IN HUNGARY.

Amsterdam, May 9.

A message from Berlin states the incorporation of Bosnia, Herzegovina and Dalmatia in Hungary is fore-shadowed as a sop to Hungary's support for Austria's Polish policy.

WHAT AUSTRIA RECEIVES THROUGH RUMANIAN TREATY.

Amsterdam, May 9.

A message from Vienna says an inspired communication points out that Austria receives 600 square kilometres south of Czernowitz and 150,000 square kilometres of mountainland. The war damage payment provision primarily relieves the Rumanians of the destruction wrought in Transylvania.

GERMAN OCCUPATION OF KIEFF.

Zurich, May 9.

A message from Vienna states a deputation of Kieff Socialists has warned the Chief of the German General Staff in Ukraine that the German measures might necessitate German occupation requiring not 6 but 26 Army Corps.

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HOME RULE BILL.

TO BE INTRODUCED BEFORE WHITSUN.

London, May 8.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Bonar Law said he hoped that the Home Rule Bill would be introduced before Whitsun.

CONSCRIPTION IN IRELAND.

UNTIL ESTABLISHMENT OF IRISH PARLIAMENT.

London, May 9.

From a manifesto issued by the joint Executive Trades Union Congress and Labour Party it appears the Government will refrain from imposing Conscription in Ireland at least until the Irish Parliament is fully in existence.

MAJOR-GENERAL BRYAN MAHON.

RUMOURED SUPERSESSION.

London, May 9.

The Daily Chronicle's Dublin correspondent says it is stated that General Sir Bryan Mahon has been superseded. The correspondent describes the supersession, if true, as a grave blunder because it would be associated with "Ulster and the covenanted antecedents of Sir Henry Wilson with the rigid Prussianism of Lord Milner."

[Major General Sir Bryan Mahon was G.O.C. 10th (Irish) Division since 1914.]

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

TAX LIABILITIES OF SHIPPING COMPANIES.

NO EXEMPTION FOR HONG-KONG COMPANIES.

London, May 8.

In the House of Commons, Sir O. Phillips asked: What will the Treasury lose owing to the recent transference of the ownership of certain British steamers from a company, under the laws of the United Kingdom, to a company registered in Hongkong?

Mr. Baldwin replied: The place of registration of a vessel is immaterial to the question of liability to United Kingdom for income tax or excess profits duty, which are chargeable in the profit of any business carried on in the United Kingdom by British, Colonial or foreign owners.

ADMIRALTY ENCOURAGES CONCRETE SHIPBUILDING.

NATURALISATION CERTIFICATES TO BE REVIEWED.

London, May 8.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Pretyman stated the Admiralty was giving every encouragement to building concrete ships.

FURTHER AMERICAN LOAN TO BRITAIN.

GERMANY REQUISITIONS STORES FROM FINLAND.

Washington, May 7.

The United States has further loaned to Great Britain \$18,000,000, bringing the total advanced to Great Britain to nearly \$1,000,000,000.

COMPULSORY MILITARY SERVICE ENFORCED.

IRISHMEN FOR THE FRENCH ARMY.

A SUGGESTION.

London, May 8.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Falle suggested that Irishmen be allowed to enlist in the French Army.

THE KAILAN MINING ADMINISTRATION.

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Hongkong, Nov. 23, 1917.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

AMERICAN & MANCHURIAN LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

FROM NEW YORK.

THE Steamship
"CAPTO,"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are
herby notified that their Cargo will be
landed at their risk into the Godowns
and/or other houses of Godowns of the
Hongkong & Rowland Wharf & Godown
Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be
obtained.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods
will be examined on SATURDAY, the
11th May, at 9.30 a.m.; all claims must
be presented within a fortnight of the
Steamer's arrival, otherwise they will not
be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the
goods have left the Godowns, and all
goods remaining undischarged after the
11th May, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be
effected.
Consignees of Cargo must produce
Import Permit signed by the Superintendent
of the Imports and Exports Office
before Bills of Lading can be counter-
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Agents AMERICAN & MANCHURIAN
LINE.

Hongkong, May 6, 1918.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Company's Steamship
"HIRANO MARU,"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are
herby informed that their Goods are
being landed and placed at their risk in
the Hongkong & Rowland Wharf and
Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon,
where each consignment will be sorted out
mark by mark and delivery can be
obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.
Optional Goods will be carried on minis-
trations are given to the contrary be-
fore Noon, To-day.

Goods not cleared by the 18th May,
1918, will be subject to rent.

Damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Con-
signees and the Co.'s representatives
at an appointed hour on TUESDAY and
FRIDAY. All claims must be pre-
sented within ten days of the steamer's
arrival here, after which date they cannot
be recognised. No claims will be admitted
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